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To: Subst. House Bill No. **6294**

File No. 159

Cal. No. 159

"AN ACT CONCERNING CONTRACTING RELATED MATTERS AND THE STATE CODES OF ETHICS."

- 1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 2 internal references accordingly:
- 3 "Sec. 501. Subsection (l) of section 1-91 of the general statutes is
- 4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective from
- 5 passage):
- 6 (l) "Lobbyist" means a person who in lobbying and in furtherance of
- 7 lobbying makes or agrees to make expenditures, or receives or agrees
- 8 to receive compensation, reimbursement, or both, and such
- 9 compensation, reimbursement or expenditures are two thousand
- 10 dollars or more in any calendar year or the combined amount thereof

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11 is two thousand dollars or more in any such calendar year. Lobbyist

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- 13 (1) A public official, employee of a branch of state government or a 14 subdivision thereof, or elected or appointed official of a municipality 15 or his designee other than an independent contractor, who is acting
- 16 within the scope of his authority or employment;
- 17 (2) A publisher, owner or an employee of the press, radio or 18 television while disseminating news or editorial comment to the 19 general public in the ordinary course of business;
- 20 (3) An individual representing himself or another person before the 21 legislature or a state agency other than for the purpose of influencing 22 legislative or administrative action;
 - (4) Any individual or employee who receives no compensation or reimbursement specifically for lobbying and who limits his activities solely to formal appearances to give testimony before public sessions of committees of the General Assembly or public hearings of state agencies and who, if he testifies, registers his appearance in the records of such committees or agencies;
- 29 (5) A member of an advisory board acting within the scope of his appointment;
- 31 (6) A senator or representative in Congress acting within the scope 32 of his office;
- 33 (7) Any person who receives no compensation or reimbursement 34 specifically for lobbying and who spends no more than five hours in 35 furtherance of lobbying unless such person (A) exclusive of salary, 36 receives compensation or makes expenditures, or both, of two 37 thousand dollars or more in any calendar year for lobbying or the 38 combined amount thereof is two thousand dollars or more in any such calendar year, or (B) expends fifty dollars or more for the benefit of a 39 40 public official in the legislative or executive branch, a member of his

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- 42 (8) A communicator lobbyist who receives or agrees to receive
- compensation, reimbursement, or both, the aggregate amount of which
- is less than two thousand dollars from each client in any calendar year;
- 45 (9) Any individual who advocates before the General Assembly on
- 46 <u>behalf of his or her own views for no compensation;</u>
- 47 (10) Any organization that asks its followers to advocate before the
- 48 General Assembly, for no compensation, but that pays the reasonable
- 49 costs of transporting such followers to the General Assembly for the
- 50 purpose of communicating with legislators."